# BEARFACTS 1992 – 2002 Fargo-Wahpeton (BEA-EA) [57055]

Fargo-Wahpeton is one of 179 BEA Economic Areas in the nation. Its 2002 population of 274,398 ranked 150th in the nation.

## PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Fargo-Wahpeton had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$27,686. This PCPI ranked 58th in the United States and was 90 percent of the national average, \$30,821. The 2002 PCPI reflected an increase of 3.6 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 national change was 0.8 percent. In 1992 the PCPI of Fargo-Wahpeton was \$17,991 and ranked 79th in the United States. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.0 percent.

### TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Fargo-Wahpeton had a total personal income (TPI) of \$7,597,085\*. This TPI ranked 141st in the United States. In 1992 the TPI of Fargo-Wahpeton was \$4,710,008\* and ranked 143rd in the United States. The 2002 TPI reflected an increase of 3.6 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 national change was 1.8 percent. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of TPI was 4.9 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.2 percent.

### COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Fargo-Wahpeton. In 2002 net earnings accounted for 66.5 percent of TPI (compared with 65.5 in 1992); dividends, interest, and rent were 19.4 percent (compared with 19.7 in 1992); and personal current transfer receipts were 14.1 percent (compared with 14.8 in 1992). From 2001 to 2002 net earnings increased 4.5 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 0.5 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 5.4 percent. From 1992 to 2002 net earnings increased on average 5.1 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 4.7 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 4.4 percent.

#### EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Fargo-Wahpeton increased from \$5,608,635\* in 2001 to \$5,857,467\* in 2002, an increase of 4.4 percent. The 2001-2002 national change was 2.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1992 estimate of \$3,546,924\* to the 2002 estimate was 5.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.4 percent.

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<sup>\*</sup>Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.